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Reptile Review

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Important Dates

January 15 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day No School

> January 16 Report Cards

<u>January 18</u> Author visit K/1 McDonald's Family Night 5-7 p.m.

January 19 Dinner Theater- 6pm January 24 STEM Fair

January 26 All Pro Dads @ 8:45am STEAM



Attendance is Key!

We encourage all students to arrive to school on time as learning takes place as soon as school starts each day. Daily attendance is very important to your child's academic achievement. We do understand that your child may become ill from time to time. If your child is out sick, please call the office (813)346-0500 on the day of the absence or send in a note when they return to school. Please include the following when reporting an absence: child's full name, teacher's name, reason for absence, and date of the absence. This will help us in determining if the absence is excused.

Principal's Message

Happy 2018! I hope your Winter Break offered some time to relax and have some time to spend with your student.

Now is the time to re-establish those important routines of 30 mins of reading every night and any other assignments that are given by your child's teacher.

This will be my last principal's message, since on January 19th I will be retiring. Ms. Sarah Bordner, the new principal is ready to lead the school with excitement and hard work. Please be sure to stop by and introduce yourself to her. I know that you will support her, Mrs. Wilkinson, and the entire NRES staff as you have always done. The NRES families are absolutely amazing and I want to thank you for all of your support over the years. I have been blessed to work in an environment where I can hardly wait to come to work every day. That is because the NRES community understands that whatever we do each day is for the students, ALL students!

As I say goodbye, please know I will keep a part of each of you in my heart. I will watch with great anticipation as your child advances in their academics and reaches their goal. They are destined to do great things!

Happy New Year! Lynn Pabst

All Pro Dad

What does your kid need for breakfast? You.
All Pro Dad's Day is a simple idea with a profound
impact that can strengthen a dad's relationship with
his children. It is a great chance to spend some time
with your children and to meet other dads in the
community.

NRES started a chapter in 2010 and has been getting together ever since in the Media Center.

Mark your calendars for All Pro Dad mornings:

Friday, January 26, 2018 Friday, February 9, 2018 Friday, March 30, 2018 Friday, April 20, 2018 Friday, May 18, 2018

We start at 8:45 am. You can RSVP for the event several ways: go to the website: http://www.allprodad.com/2228, call the school, or email llacycar@pasco.k12.fl.us. This ensures that we have enough breakfast for everyone that attends. We hope to see you there! A huge thank you for this month's breakfast that is being sponsored by Chick Fil A at Cypress Creek Town Center.

Art News

Welcome back and we are looking forward to an amazing second semester in art class. Students have been working hard using water color paints to create and mix colors. We have learned how to mix the primaries to make the secondaries and have also used the neutral colors to make colors darker and lighter too.

Students have also painted using warm and cool colors to make their pictures.

During the month of January, we will be selecting six artworks from all grade levels to be at the District Building display.

During this display, students have the opportunity to show off their amazing art skills to the wonderful people that work at the District Office. Many other visitors also come by the building and can see the wonderful work that your children do in art class.

Intermediate students will deepen their knowledge as they continue learning about COLOR and how they relate to each other on the color wheel. We will also learn about Intermediate and Complementary colors and how to create tints and shades of each color.

While students are busy using colors to create their paintings, we are getting to know the famous Spanish artist, Pablo Picasso and how he has influenced modern art. Some of our Intermediate students have created a Color Book to display their knowledge of color and the artist. Keep up the great art work!

PTA News

Happy New Year! Our PTA and our school would first like to thank all volunteers who helped make the Penguin Place a success. Our next PTA sponsored event will be Donuts with Dad on Friday, February 2nd.

We are always looking for new members if you have questions about how to join PTA please feel free to contact me at agoforth@pasco.k12.fl.us.

Have a fantastic month and thank you for your continuous support.

Important Lunch Visitor Information

We encourage you to eat lunch with your child! When meeting your child for lunch, please wait in the front office until it is time for your child's class to go to lunch. At that time, you may walk to the cafeteria to meet your child. Some of our students have food allergies. If you are bringing in outside food, please use the designated family table in the cafeteria or use an outside table to eat lunch with your child.

At the end of lunch, please sign out at the front office, and your child will walk back to class with his/her teacher. We ask that unless you have previously arranged to volunteer with the classroom teacher, please do not go to your child's classroom. We are glad you are here, and we want to ensure the safety of our students. Please contact us with any questions or concerns at (813) 346-0500. Thank you!

P.E. News

Welcome back Reptiles! We are starting off the New Year with our Field Day shirts on sale!! Please help support our weekly Reptile Run program by buying one today!! We are expecting over three hundred students to earn a free shirt in May. Those reptiles have really been running and getting fit. Many have already finished twenty miles! Field Day will be Thursday, March 15th. Look for volunteer forms coming home in February.

Running Club has been going strong every Thursday morning. We have 150 members and they are having fun and logging miles. The Fun Run, for running club members and parents, will be May 4th.

As always, keep filling out those Exercise Logs. We stress the importance of lifestyle behaviors that can be made to increase physical activity.

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Music News

The NRES Chorus is presenting it's first ever dinner theater on January 19th. Dinner will begin at 6pm and and the show will begin at 7pm. Tickets cost \$10 each and all proceeds will help to fund our transportation costs for Universal Studios.

Orff did a fantastic job at their Avalon Aglow performance on 12/9. Orff rehearsals will resume on Wednesday morning January 10th. Orff will not meet on 1/17 due to dinner theater rehearsal but will meet on 1/24 and all Wednesdays after to prepare for Universal Studios.

Chorus will rehearse on Tuesday mornings as usual, but will also add Friday, January 12th and Wednesday January 17th to prepare for the dinner theater. Please email Mr. Wohl with any questions rwohl@pasco.kl2.fl.us.



Health News

It's flu season. Make sure you are taking important steps to keep your family healthy. The first step would be to get a flu vaccination. Secondly, make sure to see a doctor if you do get sick. Finally make sure that you are washing your hands well. If your child is sick, please make sure to keep them home to prevent the spread to others.

Let's Keep Learning!

Please talk with your child about his/her power goals for reading and about the importance of completing their "good fit" book. Each child should read for 30 minutes a night on their IRLA level. These books should be fast and fun for your child during reading.

It was amazing to see the large number of students attending all the events of the Mid-Year Reading Celebration. We look forward to all of our students making higher achievements in reading, reading more books, and earning more celebration in our End of the Year Reading Celebrations.



Thank You For Supporting ABC!

We would like to thank our NRES families and staff for their generous contributions for the holiday food baskets and Angel Tree to assist our NRES families.



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